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In re application of:

Charles E. Sumner, Jr.

Appl. No. 09/360,947

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For: **Methods for Separating a  
Tocopherol from a Tocopherol-  
Containing Mixture and  
Compositions Thereof**

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Examiner: Murray, J.

Atty. Docket: 1533.1340004/SRL/BLS

**Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated **April 22, 2002**, Applicant submits the following Remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

**Remarks**

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-47 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(f), asserting that the inventor allegedly did not himself invent the claimed subject matter.